GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6493
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2000
SC JUDGEMENT ON DENOTIFICATION OF FOREST LAND
CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware about Supreme Court Judgement regarding denotification of Forest land which was delivered in the year 1997;

(b) if so, the details of guidelines given by the Supreme Court; and

(c) the reaction of the Government and the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to implement directions given by the Court?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT &FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir, the Supreme Court in its Order dated 22.8.1997 have ordered that before denotification of any area which is included in a sanctuary/national park, the concerned State Government shall refer the proposal to Indian Board for Wildlife for its opinion and their after the proposal shall be placed for consideration before the State Legislative Assembly along with the opinion of Indian Board for Wildlife.

(c) The Order of the Supreme Court is being followed in its letter and spirit.